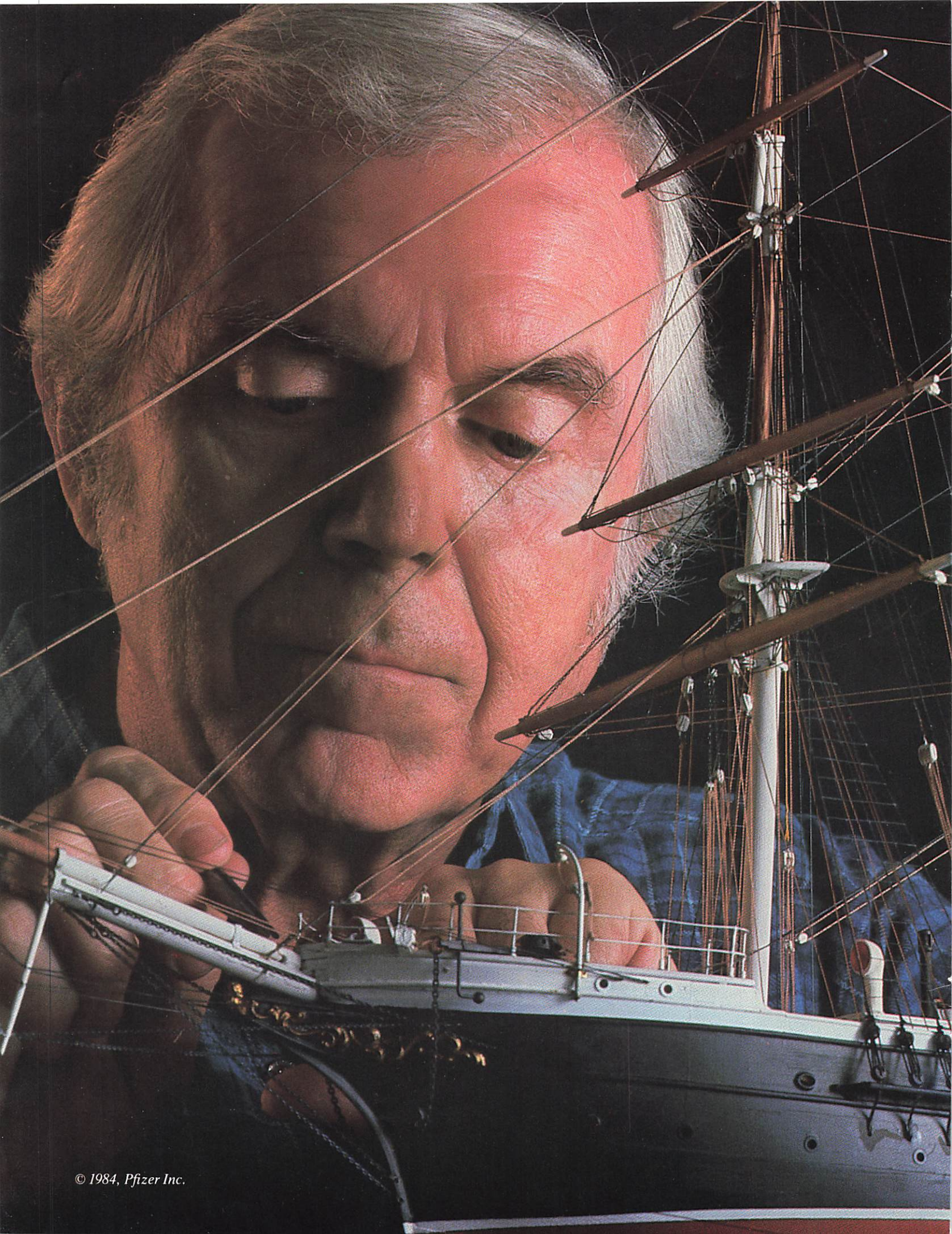


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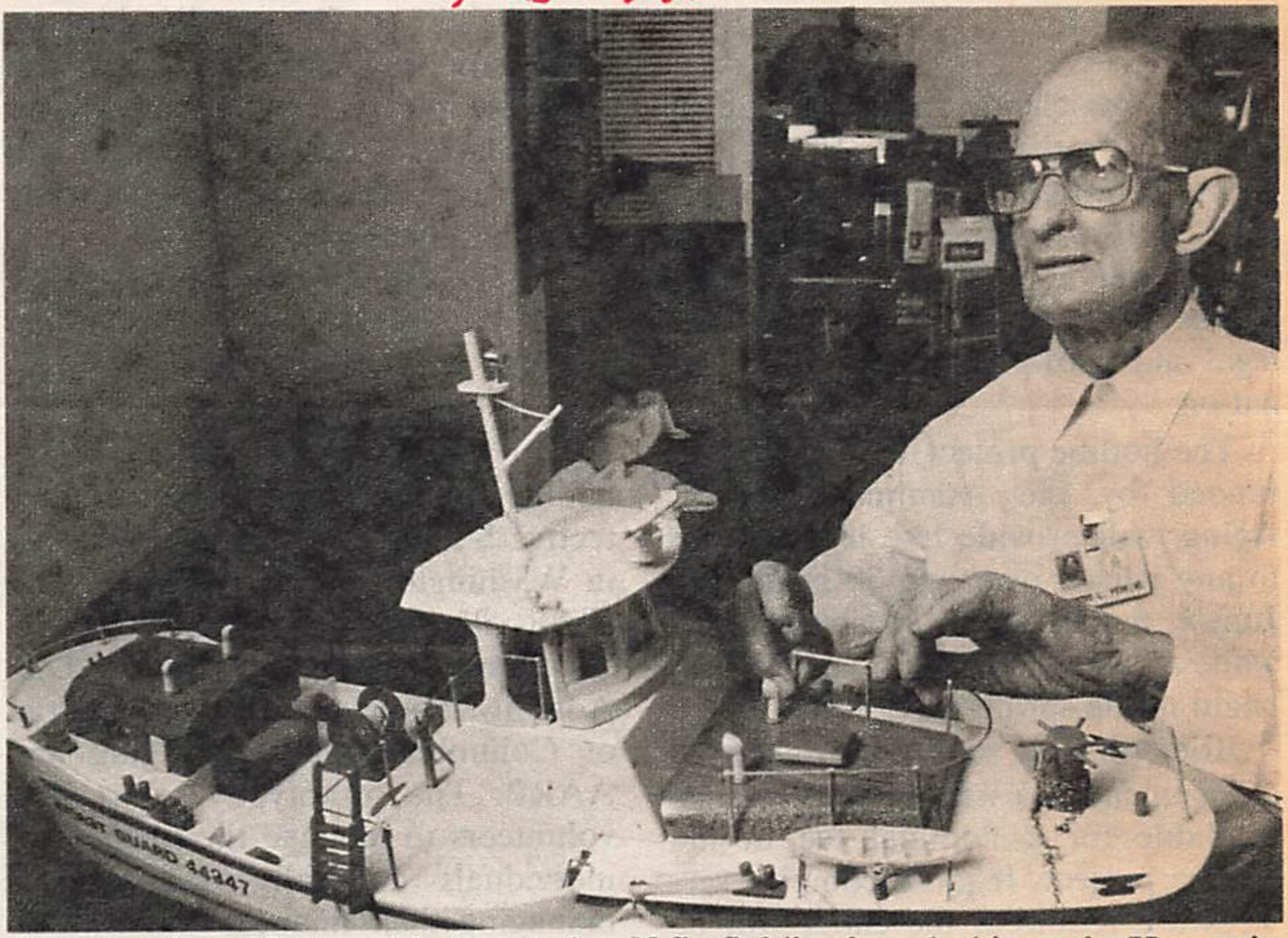
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Among the oldest residents at the U.S. Soldiers' and Airmen's Home in Washington, D.C., is M/Sgt. Armond Perkins. At 86, he builds scale-model ships in facilities provided by the unique home. He served in Army Air Corps during World War I. (Other photos and story, pages 14-15.)

(This is another in a series of stories to inform and remind members of the wide array of benefits, programs and services available through the Association.)

The Association-sponsored Legal Counsel for the Elderly (LCE) program is continuing to expand its services with a "hotline" scheduled this spring and a paralegal home study course in 1986 as the demand for legal aid grows rapidly around the nation.

The hotline project, a test program funded by the Administration on Aging, will provide free legal advice to any person over age 60 beginning June 1, tentatively, in Pittsburgh, Pa., while the study course is scheduled to begin in the spring of 1986.

Brief services such as a review of a document or a written letter will be available for a nominal fee in the hotline project. If more complex services are required, the caller will be referred to a lawyer in private practice who will offer fees at about 20 percent below the area rate. Low-income clients will be referred to free legal aid.

The LCE staff is designing the paralegal home study course with assistance from the Institute of Law and Aging at George Washington University Law School. Those who complete the course and an internship in a legal services program will receive a certificate of paralegal study from the law school.

In cooperation with the Social Security Administration, LCE has developed a program to provide financial supervision for individuals unable to manage their own monetary affairs. LCE's Model Volunteer Protective Services project is under way in Washington, D.C., Baltimore and Hyattsville, Md., and Harrisonburg, Va. Funding is provided by the U.S. Administration on Aging, the District of Columbia Office on Aging and AARP. The prototype project uses volunteers to manage the finances of individuals medically incapable of managing their finances and who do not object to the help of a volunteer. All checks written by volunteers are monitored by the LCE staff.

The Volunteer Lawyers Project is